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In re Application of: **T. YAMAZAKI, ET AL.**

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Filed: **12/05/2001**

For: **NUMERICALLY CONTROLLED METHOD**

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR

§ 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:

- ☐ Together with the present application.
- ☒ Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
- ☐ After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. [37 CFR § 1.97(c)]
- ☐ After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. [37 CFR § 1.97(d)]

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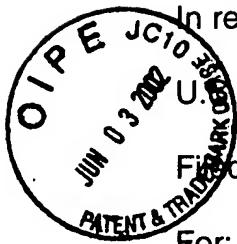
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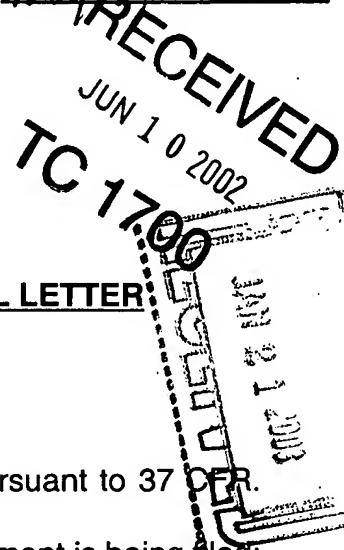
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[ ] **Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)**

This is a petition requesting consideration of an IDS under § 1.97(d). The petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(i)(1) accompanies this petition.

[ ] **Certification Under 37 CFR § 1.97(e)**

Each item of information contained in this statement was either

- (1) cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or
- (2) not known to any individual designated in § 1.56© more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

**Provision of Copies of References**

- [X] A copy of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449A is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.
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- [ ] A copy of the European Search Report from a corresponding or related EPO application is enclosed herewith.
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**Identification of Prior Application(s) In Which Listed Information Was Already Cited And For Which No Copies Are Submitted Or Need Be Submitted**

- [ ] This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_. The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:

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[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 04-1679**. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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